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--77. (New) A method of stimulating or enhancing antibody production in a subject which comprises administering to the subject an effective amount of a composition comprising a GM2 or GD2 ganglioside conjugated through the ceramide portion of the ganglioside to an immunogenic protein-based carrier and a carbohydrate derivable from the bark of a Quillaja saponaria Molina tree, the amounts of such conjugated ganglioside and such carbohydrate being effective to stimulate or enhance antibody production in a subject, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein the immunogenic protein-based carrier is Keyhole Limpet Hemocyanin or a derivative thereof.--

REMARKS

Claims 53-76 were pending in the subject application. Applicants have hereinabove amended claims 53, 56-57, 64-65 and added new claim 77. Applicants contend that this does not raise any issue of new matter. Accordingly, claims 53-77 will be pending upon entry of this amendment.

Summary

In view of the foregoing remarks, applicants respectfully request that the above grounds of objection and rejection be reconsidered and withdrawn and earnestly solicit allowance of the now pending claims.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

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No fee other than the \$9.00 additional claim fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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